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Applicants provide Japanese Publication No. 2003-258321 (JP '321 Publication) which corresponds to the instant application and has common inventorship. The JP '321 Publication, however, lists a third inventor that appears to be different than the third inventor of this application. The inventors are identical. The computer translation of the JP '321 Publication apparently includes an incorrect English translation of the third inventor's name.

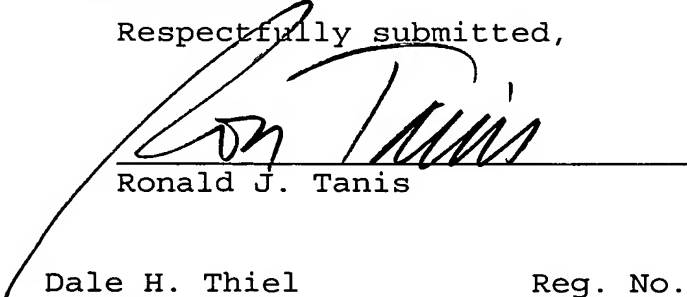
Since Applicants only disclosed the subject matter in the JP '321 Publication to others within the year prior to the filing date of this application, no rejection should be made under 35 USC 102(a) (see MPEP 706.02(c)).

Attached Form PTO-1449 also lists two other Japanese Publications disclosed by their application numbers on page 2 of Applicants' specification.

English language translations of the Publications are provided. Further comment at this point in time should not be necessary.

Further consideration is requested.

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